

# *Executive Proclamation*

## *State of South Dakota*

### *Office of the Governor*

*Whereas*, Dell Burt Hall enlisted in the United States Navy on March 26, 1943, at Omaha, Nebraska, where his United States Naval Reserve Classification was as a SVV6 – Selective Volunteer, General Service and Specialist; and,

*Whereas*, Dell's dedication to service made him a valuable asset to this state and country, and we have very few occasions to recognize this patriotic individual who left the comfort of his home and family to nobly serve a cause greater than himself; and,

*Whereas*, Dell was a Fireman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class, then was promoted to Watertender 3<sup>rd</sup> Class where his specialty was tending fires and boilers in the steam powered ships as an integral member of the engine room crew, which the Navy now calls Machinist Mates; and,

*Whereas*, Dell was a plank owner of the Sumner Class Destroyer USS Hugh W. Hadley DD 774 when the Hadley was hit by three Kamikazes, and he was awarded the Purple Heart for being wounded while saving another soldiers life; and,

*Whereas*, Dell had devoted his life making sacrifices that demonstrated no mission was too hard, no challenge was too great, and through tests and trials he emerged stronger than before, and his loyalty and leadership made him a cornerstone in the Armed Forces of this country, and it is a privilege to honor his sacrifice and his service, and our future is brighter thanks to his dedication; and,

*Whereas*, It is fitting and proper as Governor to commend Dell for his dedication and outstanding service to this state and country:

*Now, Therefore, I, Dennis Daugaard*, Governor of the state of South Dakota, do hereby proclaim September 7, 2016, as

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in South Dakota, and I join with his family and friends in thanking him for his service to the state of South Dakota and to the United States of America.



*In Witness Whereof*, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the state of South Dakota, in Pierre, the Capital City, this Twenty-fourth Day of August in the Year of Our Lord, Two Thousand and Sixteen.

*Dennis Daugaard*  
Dennis Daugaard, Governor

Attest:

*Shantel Krebs*  
Shantel Krebs, Secretary of State